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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to  
3 learn of the death of Ralph L. Hood of Milan, who passed away  
4 on September 7, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood was born on January 30, 1945 in Biloxi,  
6 Mississippi; his parents were John and Alice (nee Noel) Hood;  
7 he married Nancy Sumner on June 29, 1973 in Rock Island; and

8 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood served his country as a member of the  
9 United States Air Force during the Vietnam era; and

10 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood was employed as a locomotive  
11 electrician for the Rock Island Railroad; he later worked in  
12 locomotive sales at the National Railway Equipment Company in  
13 Silvis; and

14 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood enjoyed ornithology, classical and  
15 opera music, Shakespeare, Sherlock Holmes, and hunting and  
16 fishing; and

17 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood was preceded in death by his parents  
18 and a brother, Ronald Hood; and

19 WHEREAS, Ralph Hood is survived by his wife of 42 years,

1 Nancy Hood; his sisters, Joan (Jerry) Lemburg and Joyce (Jim)  
2 Draper; his many nieces and nephews; and his longtime family  
3 friend, Terry Mahon; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
6 family and friends, mourn the passing of Ralph L. Hood; and be  
7 it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
9 presented to the family of Ralph Hood as an expression of our  
10 sympathy.